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RESPONSE A

This paper responds to the restriction requirement that was mailed on June 27, 2006.

The restriction requirement requires restriction between the group I claims (1-8) and the group II claims. The group II claims are stated to include claims 9-14.

It is believed that the group II claims should have been identified as claims 9-22, not merely claims 9-14. This is because (1) claims 15-22 are not dealt with in the restriction requirement and (2) the description of the group II claims includes "dispersions, method of making and using an adhesive", which is the subject matter of claims 15-22.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute the group II claims.

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